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SUBJECT: GOALS AND TASKS FOR AMBASSADOR: CANADA

REFS: (A) STATE 202267; (B) STATE 204581

- 1. REFS (A) AND (B) GIVE DETAILS WHICH HAVE GOVERNED PREPARATION HERE OF DRAFT STATEMENTS OF GOALS AND TASKS FOR EACH AMBASSADOR. DRAFT TEXT FOLLOWS BELOW FOR YOUR COMMENT. PLEASE RESPOND ASAP, BUT NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6 IN ANY EVENT. BEGIN TEXT --
- I. SUPPORT CANADIAN UNITY
- --ACCOMMODATE FEASIBLE CANADIAN REQUESTS FOR U.S. ACTION HELPFUL IN MAINTAINING A UNIFIED CANADA, AND AVOID DESTABILIZING ACTIONS.

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- --RESIST ATTEMPTS BY OTTAWA AND QUEBEC TO PUBLICLY INVOLVE THE U.S. IN THEIR INTERNAL STRUGGLE.
- --CONDUCT OUR RELATIONS WITH PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS AND PUBLICS IN A MANNER THAT TAKES ACCOUNT OF THE PREEMINENCE OF THE CANADIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. IN QUEBEC BE CAREFUL

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- --CONTINUE TO STRESS CANADA'S SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE AND THE ESSENTIAL EQUALITY OF OUR RELATION-SHIP, AND AVOID CREATING THE IMAGE OF A U.S. PROTECTORATE OVER CANADA.
- II. ENCOURAGE JOINT COOPERATIVE EFFORTS IN ENERGY, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC AREAS
- --SUPPORT ONGOING EFFORTS TO RESOLVE BOUNDARY, FISHERIES AND NON-LIVING RESOURCE ISSUES IN MARITIME BOUNDARY AREAS WITH CANADA, ESPECIALLY THE GULF OF MAINE.
- --ACTIVELY SUPPORT U.S. EFFORTS TO OBTAIN A CANADIAN OFFER ON FAVORABLE TERMS OF TRANS-CANADA PIPELINE ROUTE FOR ALASKA NATURAL GAS.
- --ENCOURAGE OTTAWA TO HOLD TO ITS SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETING ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY STUDIES ON KITIMAT OIL PIPELINE BY YEAR END.
- --STRIVE FOR COOPERATION ON OIL SUPPLIES TO NORTHERN TIER, GAS SUPPLIES, PETROCHEMICALS, AND STRATEGIC STORAGE. SECRET

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- --INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF U.S. INVESTMENT IN DEVELOP-MENT OF ATHABASCA TAR SANDS.
- --EXPLORE POTENTIAL FOR LARGE-SCALE SWAPS OF ELECTRICITY.
- --INDICATE TO CANADIANS THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO GIVE CANADA NATIONAL TREATMENT IN CASE OF ANY COAL SUPPLY INTERRUPTION, PROVIDED THEY RECIPROCATE ON GAS.
- --URGE EARLY CANADIAN INVOLVEMENT IN WINTER NAVIGATION ACTIVITIES.
- --SEEK TO CORRECT CANADIAN MISIMPRESSION THAT THE U.S. HAS BEEN TARDY OR LAX IN SUPPORTING GREAT LAKES ANTI-POLLUTION MEASURES.
- --PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INNOVATION AND COLLABORATION IN MARINE POLLUTION CONTROL, OIL SPILL CONTINGENCY PLANNING AND RECIPROCAL ACCESS TO ADEQUATE LIABILITY-COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS.

--WORK WITH CANADA TO IMPROVE THE INTERFACE AND COMPAT-IBILITY OF THOSE ASPECTS OF OUR ANTI-TRUST LAWS AND PROCEDURES WITH FOREIGN IMPACT; SEEK TO ENSURE THAT EACH

GOVERNMENT IS SENSITIVE TO THE CONCERNS OF THE OTHER IN OTHER AREAS OF EXTRATERRITORIAL IMPACT SUCH AS ARAB BOYCOTT LEGISLATION, CUBA TRADE CONTROLS.

III. MAINTAIN CLOSE U.S.-CANADIAN COOPERATION ON MULTI-LATERAL ISSUES

--EXCEPT WHEN SPECIFIC U.S. INTERESTS MAY NOT BE SERVED, ENCOURAGE CANADIAN INVOLVEMENT IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND ENERGY ISSUES, MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, THE SECRET

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NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE, NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION AND ARMS CONTROL ACTIONS, CSCE PREPARATIONS AND NATO ACTIVITIES.

- --ON LAW OF THE SEA, SUPPORT U.S. EFFORTS, AS APPROPRIATE, TO GET ACCOMMODATION ON DEEP-SEA MINING.
- --PROMOTE HIGH-LEVEL COORDINATION ON MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS QUESTIONS.
- --PARTICIPATE IN FOLLOW-UP ON SECRETARY BERGLAND'S OVER-TURES TO CANADA FOR AVOIDING CUT-THROAT COMPETITION IN THE INTERNATIONAL GRAIN MARKET AND IN FAVOR OF CONSUMING COUNTRY SHARING IN FUNDING STOCKS.
- IV. PROTECT U.S. INTERESTS IN BILATERAL AREAS
- --TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE PROTECTION OF U.S. INTERESTS FROM CANADIAN PROJECTS WHICH HAVE TRANS-BOUNDARY ENVIRON-MENTAL IMPACTS SUCH AS POPLAR RIVER, BEAUFORT SEA OIL DRILLING, OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN STUDY, ATIKOKAN AND NANTICOKE GENERATING STATIONS.
- --KEEP BEFORE CANADIAN PUBLIC IMPLICATIONS FOR THE UNITED STATES OF DEVELOPMENT OF COAL RESOURCES IN THE FLATHEAD RIVER DRAINAGE.
- --MAKE REPRESENTATIONS ON U.S. INTERESTS, INCLUDING FIRM REQUESTS FOR COMPENSATION WHEN U.S. GATT RIGHTS ARE VIOLATED.
- --FOLLOW CLOSELY USE OF EXISTING CANADIAN MACHINERY FOR INVESTMENT CONTROL TO MAKE SURE THAT CANADIAN OR THIRD-COUNTRY FIRMS ARE NOT FAVORED OVER U.S. FIRMS ESTABLISHED SECRET

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IN CANADA IN WAYS CONTRARY TO OECD INVESTMENT GUIDELINES.
MONITOR CLOSELY PROVINCIAL INVESTMENT ATTITUDES AND REGULATIONS.
WORK FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE MORATORIUM ON DELETION OF COMMERCIALS FROM U.S. TELEVISION SIGNALS USED BY CANADIAN CABLE SYSTEMS.
ENSURE CONSULTATIONS BEFORE CANADIAN CABINET CONSIDERA- TION OF ACTIONS TO PROMOTE CANADIAN PARTICIPATION IN PUBLICATIONS AND FILM SECTORS.
WATCH DEVELOPMENTS IN IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION THAT COULD LEAD TO CANADIAN CONTROL IN PRIVATE TRANSPORT SECTOR.
V. STRENGTHEN THE MILITARY RELATIONSHIP
ASSIST AND ENCOURAGE, WHERE POSSIBLE, EXISTING MOMENTUM IN CANADIAN MODERNIZATION OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT.
URGE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE FURTHER ITS DEFENSE EFFORT.
ENCOURAGE CANADA'S SUPPORT OF AND PARTICIPATION IN EFFORTS TO MODERNIZE NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE.
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